Child Care and Development Fund FACT SHEET

September, 2010 Montana

Caseload

- 6,250 children were served this month in this program
- 3,882 families received subsidies for childcare through this program
- 12.2% of the families entered the program during this period
- · Yellowstone County accounted for 22.7% of all families served

Children

- 83.7% of children were served in licensed care
- 12.0% of children were cared for by relatives
- · Children under 1 year of age were in child care an average of 122 hours per month
- · School-age children (ages 6 and older) constitute 25.5% of all children served
- · White children accounted for 79.4% of all children served

Families

- 76.6% of families received subsidies because of employment
- 100.0% of families had copayments, at an average of 3.0% of income
- The average number of children served per family was 1.7
- 84.2% of families were headed by a single parent
- 15.4% of families listed TANF as a source of income

Expenditures

- The average cost of care this month per child was \$409 (monthly subsidy + parent fee)
- Parents paid 7.0% of the cost and the program paid 93.0%
- · Average monthly expenditures for children under 1 year of age was \$455
- · Average monthly expenditures for school-age children (ages 6 and older) was \$268
- 83.3% of total expenditures were for children under 6 years of age

Counties

- The highest average cost of care was in McCone County at \$500 per child
- Garfield County ranks first in relative care statewide with 80.0% of all children cared for by relatives.